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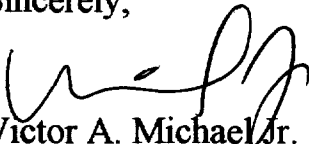
March 1, 1999

Magalie Roman Salas, Esquire
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Room 222
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Victor, Montana.

Sincerely,



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In the matter of:

Amendment of Section 73.202 (b)

Table of Allotments

FM Broadcast Stations

(Victor, Montana)

RM-_____

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 269C3 (101.7 Mhz) to Victor, Montana as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 269C3 (101.7 Mhz) to Victor and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 269C3 to Victor will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Victor is located in Western, Montana. It is also located within Ravalli County, a county of some 25,010 persons. Victor has a population of 500 persons in accordance with the 1999 Rand McNally Road Atlas, which is based on 1990 census data.

3. The allotment of channel 269C3 to Victor will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Victor is located at Hamilton, Montana. Hamilton is located 17 kilometers from Victor. Victor, while not incorporated, has many retail businesses as it is located on the congested highway 93 which leads to Missoula, Montana. Victor has also seen growth and is estimated to have a population of over 600 persons. It has a church, school and civic organizations.

4. Victor would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 17 Kilometers of Victor. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Victor area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards. It is obvious from the above spacing, that Victor is presently without local FM service.

5. Channel 269C3 can be allotted to Victor and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Victor, Montana	-----	269C3

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 269C3 and the pertinent adjacent channels to 269C3 have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 46 - 25' - 06", W. 114 - 08' - 54") are that of a site located within the community of Victor. No site restriction of will be required to allot channel 269C3 to Victor. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Victor. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

7. It has been shown that Victor would benefit from the allotment of channel 269C3. It has also been shown that channel 269C3 can be allotted to Victor and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 269C3 for Victor, Montana, 73.202.

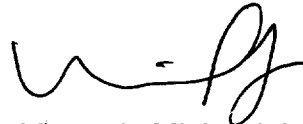
8. Should channel 269C3 be allotted to Victor, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Victor, Montana.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated: March 1, 1999

Respectfully submitted,



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MAPFM search of channel 269C3 (101.7 MHz), at N. 46 25 6, W. 114 8 54.

Searching Channel 269C3 (101.7 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
K215AB	Kamiah, etc.	ID	215	D	L	148.6	0.0	259.4°	148.6
KMZL	Missoula	MT	216	C2	C	44.8	17.0	17.5°	27.8
ALC	Mccall	ID	266	C1	U	226.5	76.0	222.2°	150.5
ALC	Helena	MT	266	C	U	144.1	96.0	75.3°	48.1
KZMT	Helena	MT	266	C	L	144.1	96.0	75.3°	48.1
ALC	Lewiston	ID	268	C1	U	220.5	144.0	271.2°	76.5
KATW	Lewiston	ID	268	C1	L	220.5	144.0	271.2°	76.5
ALC	Belt	MT	269	A	A	268.4	138.0	66.4°	130.4
ALC	Libby	MT	269	A	U	241.1	138.0	334.2°	103.1
KTNY	Libby	MT	269	A	L	241.1	138.0	334.2°	103.1
KJHY	Emmett	ID	270	C	L	333.4	176.0	207.4°	157.4
K272DO	Orofino	ID	272	D	L	159.3	0.0	273.6°	159.3
KBIH	Coeur d'Alene	ID	272	C3	A	201.0	43.0	306.8°	158.0

FIGURE 1
VICTOR, MONTANA
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING